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A FINAL OFFER

Council Makes a Proposition
on Purchase of Company's
Property.

OFFER GOOD UNTIL AUGUST 17

Council Seems to Be Nearer
to a Deal Than at Any Time
Heretofore

The water and light committee of the city council, which was instructed to continue negotiations with Mr. Theis for the purchase of the water company's pipes, stand pipes, and the ground for a power plant seem to be the nearest to a deal just now now than at any time before.

In reply to a letter from the committee, Mr. Theis sent them the following proposition:

We will sell you all the water pipes laid out to and connected with the three pumps in the plant, also the three pumps, the standpipes and 100 feet of ground on the corner for \$32,500.00, providing you give us a five year pumping contract for power to pump your water for 50 a kilowatt, or at a price to be determined by three engineers, and we to give you the fire pressure free of cost; provided further, that you give us a light franchise for a term of ten years at 12 1/2 a kilowatt, and we to furnish the meters to private consumers.

Where the parties now have their meters and on a 10c rate, that shall be continued, also a fair city lighting contract for a term of five years, the price and amount of same to be determined by three engineers.

The city shall have the right to purchase the light company at the expiration of the franchise at a price to be named by three engineers and in the event the city does not purchase at the appraised value, then the franchise shall be renewed for ten years, provided however, at the end of any five years period, either party to this contract may ask for readjustment of rates, which rates shall be made by three engineers. In every case, each party shall select one engineer and the two the third.

This proposition good up to and including August 14, 1909 and to be accepted or rejected by that time, and subject to the details being arranged satisfactory to both parties, and being able to get the bond holders to release the water plant, if purchased by the city.

In event the city shall buy the light plant of the company, the light plant shall do its best to have that released from the bonds on payment of the money.

It should have been stated in the above proposition that either party can terminate the pumping contract by giving six months notice.

The committee had a meeting with the members of the council yesterday afternoon, at which the matter was discussed, and the following proposition was formulated and sent to Mr. Theis, after it was decided to reject the proposition set forth above.

We will give you \$30,000.00 for all the water mains, laterals, connections, etc., owned by your company, out side of your pump house and the three pumps inside your pump house; this to include mains, connections, hydrants, meters, all materials on hand and tools and appliances belonging to or used in the operation of the water system, and will give you six cents (6c) for 1000 gallons for pumping; fire pressure to be furnished by you free; the property transferred to the city to include the real estate on which the stand pipe stands and the land near the plant heretofore mentioned by you, your acceptance to contain the legal description of all the real estate to be transferred.

The contract for pumping to run for five years, but same may be terminated by either party by giving six months notice in writing to the other party.

If this offer is accepted, the council agrees to give you a ten year light franchise, allowing you to charge 12 1/2 cents per kilowatt where the company owns the meters, and 10 cents per kilowatt where the consumer owns the meter, provided that any consumer shall have the right to purchase his own meter and secure the benefits of the 10cent rate. Also that the city will give you a contract for lighting the streets for five years, the rate for such service to be determined by three engineers, and the amount of light or

number of lamps to be fixed by the city.

The city shall have the right to purchase the light plant at the expiration of the franchise at a price to be named by three engineers, and in the event the city does not purchase the plant at the appraised value, then the franchise shall be renewed for ten years, provided, however, at the end of any five year period, either party to this contract may ask for readjustment of rates, which rates shall be made by three engineers. In event the city purchases the plant, the engineers shall not take into consideration any indebtedness against the plant. If the city decides to purchase at the end of ten years, then whatever indebtedness is outstanding against the electric light plant shall be paid by the electric light company or the franchise to be considered at an end.

This proposition is made subject to the people voting bonds to purchase the water works.

This is our final proposition and the same is open for your acceptance or rejection until August 17, 1909.

The opinion seems to prevail that Mr. Theis will accept this proposition although this is merely supposition. At any rate, as said before there is more likelihood of the deal going through than at any time before. Whatever becomes of this deal, however, the bond election will be held on August 28. Whether or not any of the material is bought of the present company will not effect the matter of municipal ownership. That part of it will be settled at the election.

LEAGUE BASE BALL

Dodge City Team Up Against The Real Thing
Yesterday, And Made A Fine Showing.

The Wichita league team played against the Dodge City ball players at the park yesterday afternoon, the game resulting in a 3 to 0 score. While the home boys made a fine showing, they have not had the work necessary to put them in the best of form for a real good game. Still, they got through with seven errors, five of which were made by an extra man who was put on the team for the one game, and held the visitors down to a low score. Fowler, the Dodge pitcher, allowed the leaguers only four hits in the game, while five hits were made off the league pitcher by the Dodge boys, Dean, Eash, Elder, Seaman and Steele each getting a hit. The Wichita pitcher struck out seven, and Fowler struck out three, including Pettigrew the strong batter of the Wichita team. The game was excellent practice for the Dodge team and everybody was proud of some of the work they did. The following positions were played:

Dodge City	Position	Wichita
Dean	3d base	Wester
Eash	2d base	Hughes
Fowler	1st base	Pennell
Hicks	catcher	Armstrong
Fortney	pitcher	Bole
Seaman	pitcher	Beard
Steele	1. field	Middleton
Elder	2. field	Pettigrew
	3. field	White

Score by Innings:
Dodge City.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0
Wichita.....1 0 0 0 1 0 0-3

Eight to two was the size of the score in the Kinsley-Dodge City game here on August 8, through the courtesy of the home team, as it might just as well have been 13 to 0 game. Fowler pitched a shut out game, and the fielding was working fine, but the boys did not seem to care about "rubbing it in" on the visitors.

For the first three innings Dodge City made two runs each inning, and the Kinsley boys played the game of one, two, three and out. In the fourth inning Dodge slowed down, did not score and allowed the visitors a run.

The Dodge team played the following positions: Dean, third base; Eash, second base; Bainbridge, short stop; Fields, first base; Fowler, pitcher; Hicks, catcher; Fortney, right field; B-linear, center field, and Steele, left field.

Score by Innings:
Dodge City.....2 2 0 0 1 0 1-8
Kinsley.....0 0 0 1 0 0 0-1

METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor being away on his vacation, the pulpit will be supplied by Rev. W. R. Weaver, a former pastor, at 11 o'clock, a. m. In the evening the congregation will join in the Union Open Air Meeting at 8 o'clock. The morning pulpit will be regularly supplied during the pastor's absence.

A. W. CUMMINGS, Pastor.

Wanted

About fifteen tons of straw for Reunion. See J. A. ARMENT, Sec'y.

TENTS ARE HERE

Great Preparations for the
Southwestern Veterans' An-
nual Reunion This
Month

CONCESSIONS ARE SELLING

Camp Wright Will Gather In a
Large Crowd From Dif-
ferent Parts of Kansas
On August 14.

The Southwestern Veterans' Reunion Association has reached the age of Sweet Sixteen, and it is proposed to make the sixteenth annual meeting one of the greatest yet held. All of the work is well along in the preparation for this year's reunion, and the big event is now only a week off. One lot of the tents are here now and all of them will arrive next week so that Camp Wright can be built and put in readiness for the large crowds expected here August 24. 25, 26 and 27.

There will be the usual interesting camp fires with the excellent talks by the veterans, always one of the things appreciated by the Kansas people, and the usual number of attractions in the way of other speakers have been provided. Hon. W. P. Hepburn the leading speaker this year is said to be one of the best speakers in our congress and the fact that he, himself, is an old soldier, makes his selection particularly fitting for the occasion. Congressman John Martin, formerly a well known railroad man in this part of country, will be here from Colorado, and will be an especial attraction to a great many of the home people. Gov. Geo. Curry, of New Mexico, a former Dodge City boy will attend the reunion at least one day during the week. Our governor and our Kansas senators will be among the speakers and at each of the meetings our own Wilkinson, and the Dodge City band will furnish music. Each afternoon after the speaking is over there will be races at the park.

The "Pike" this year will be a big one, and is believed that all of the concessions will have a profitable week. Seventeen locations on the pike have already been sold, and they are coming in lively now. Besides the seventeen concessions, the Dodge City Merry Go-Round association and a Ferris wheel from outside have selected locations. The Electric Theater of this place will move to the grounds during Reunion week.

GLAD TO BE HOME.

Congressman Madison and Family Arrived
In Dodge City Last Night and Were Met
By a Large Crowd.

When Congressman Madison arrived at the Santa Fe depot late last night, it looked like he would have to stay on the train. The platform space was all taken up by friends and neighbors who had waited at the station until 11 o'clock to welcome the Seventh District Representative and his family back to their home town. No general arrangements had been made for meeting the train, and it was not known by many that Mr. Madison would arrive on No. 5 last night. A number had inquired as to when he would arrive, and were expecting to wait at the depot, and during the evening others learned of the fact. The Dodge City band voluntarily made its own arrangements for meeting the train, as each party of friends and neighbors of the Madisons had done, and a long time before the train was in there was an immense crowd at the depot. The train was nearly an hour late, and the crowd kept increasing during the wait.

A short talk was made by Congressman Madison to the crowd. He said that it seemed good indeed to get back home, and he wanted to thank his old friends and neighbors for the cordial reception he had received. Speaking very briefly of the session of congress just over, he said he had tried earnestly to represent his district to the fullest and best of his ability. Regarding the tariff bill, he said that he would state frankly that it was not all he had hoped in the way of a revision downward. All that he could do had been done to secure a better one. Still, the bill passed, he honestly and sincerely believed was an improvement on the

Dingley law, and on his final vote he voted for the tariff bill as passed, in preference to retaining the old schedules.

PROSPECTING ON SAW LOG.

Young Man Testing the Shale On the Saw Log. Believes that It Will Produce Gas.

The young man Pritchard, who has been here for the past two weeks prospecting on the Saw Log, believes that he will make a valuable find in the north part of the county. This week he is submitting the shale from that district to tests of his own, and some of it has been sent to Prof. Lawrence at Lawrence, to be tested in order to back up Pritchard's tests.

Pritchard is being paid for his time by some of the Dodge City business men, who, while they are not so enthusiastic as he seems to be, are willing to stake him in a small way. Pritchard claims to know what he is doing, and seems to have considerable knowledge in a way. He believes that the shale he has found on the Saw Log will produce gas in paying quantity, and says he will prove what he claims for it.

SPEAREVILLE IS NEXT

Good team to be here on Aug. 15, and the Ball Managers say there will be interesting game

The next game will be on Aug. 15 when one of the best teams in the county will be here from Speareville. The Dodge team will work hard on this game, as they are preparing to meet Garden City in a death (base ball reputation death) struggle on Aug. 22. Everybody will want to see the boys work out on this game, and show what they will be able to do when they get to Garden City.

The Speareville team has played some good ball, and it will not be surprising if the game on Aug. 15 is one of the best games of the season.

Reunion Prizes.

The Reunion Association will give \$15 and \$5 as first and second prizes for the best decorated automobile in the parade on August 26. J. A. ARMENT, Sec'y.

IMMENSE LAKE

Being Planned for Eureka
Canal in East Part of
Country.

Engineers Working On Matter

Will Cover Four Sections of
Land and Hold Thirty Feet
Of Water.

The Eureka Canal people are figuring on an immense lake for Ford county for storing flood waters to be used during crop season. Their surveyors have been working on the lake proposition, and will be able to make a report on it soon. The proposed location of the lake is near the Jack Imel place in the east part of the county, where there are four sections of land in a body which it is believed will make a perfect reservoir.

The idea is to make a lake here two miles square which will hold a body of water 30 feet deep, which can be filled from the Eureka ditch out of crop season, and at times when there are flood waters in the Arkansas river to draw from. This body of water could be held there and used when the crops were growing so that the moisture could be had just at the time it would do the most good.

Such a reservoir would water a large tract of land and extend the usefulness of the Eureka canal. The water could be ditched over a large body of land in a splendid farming community. A great many have a prejudice against any talk of irrigation, merely because the land raises fine crops from the natural rainfall. This land, however, would produce at least twice as much in many seasons, if it could be given water just at the right time, and besides other kinds of crops could be raised and

the same land would furnish farms for four times as many people. The only argument necessary, it would seem to the writer, to prove that the ditch is a good thing is a fact that as soon as the land was under ditch, the value of each farm would be doubled.

The work at the head of the ditch is progressing and it was expected to get the big sand pumps started today. This will push the work much faster. The canal from the head for some distance this way has been put in shape and a gate will be put in, from which a ditch will be made leading back to the river. The water already is working out into the canal from the pump, and in a short time it will have to be let out through the gate and back into the river so that it will not interfere with the work on the canal.

Registration Notice.

The registration books will be closed for the special election in Dodge City on Wednesday, Aug. 18. Those who desire to vote must be registered on or before that date.

PEARL TREBILCOCK,
City Clerk.

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Hereafter the Globe-Republican will charge for publishing advertisements of church or benefit entertainments five cents per line for each insertion. For Resolutions a charge of \$1.00 will be made, and for Cards of Thanks a charge of 25 cents.

Privileges.

I am now ready to sell business privileges on the Reunion Grounds, in City Park. The first to come will have choice of locations.

No locations reserved for any one until paid for. J. A. ARMENT, Sec. 2t

The Kidneys eliminate poisons by acting as filters for the blood. When they fail in this respect serious ailments must result. Piles for the kidneys are what you should take at the first warning sign of kidney trouble. Uric acid assist the kidneys in expelling uric acid poison, sold by Palace Drug Store.

Portland cement, 35 cents net at the Lum Lumber Company.



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